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RECIPIENT TO: The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: National Emergency Exercise Phase of Operation Alert 1959

1. This memorandum is designed to inform you of the plans of this Agency for participation in the national relocation exercise phase of Operation Alert 1959, which is scheduled for the period August 24 through August 26, 1959.

2. Pursuant to our agreement with appropriate officials of the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization, our participation in the exercise this year is addressed to a program of our own preparation rather than to the standard program for the Government at large (which is based on an analysis of operational and readiness management problems which arose during the local, state, and regional exercises held May, June, and July, from participation in which we were exempted).

3. Representatives of the Deputy Director (Intelligence) have prepared an exercise problem calling for the preparation of an independent intelligence estimate of a situation based on a hypothetical attack on West Berlin and a ground attack on several European fronts by the USSR, followed by a formal declaration of war and an initial nuclear exchange. A copy of their published instructions on this problem, designed for solution during the exercise, is attached hereto.

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4. Representatives of the Deputy Director (Plans) have prepared instructions covering DCP participation in [redacted] dated 1 August 1959, a copy of which is attached hereto. It provides for a program of orientation and familiarization for members of the Emergency Relocation Force at the site, a review of the adequacy and timeliness of records and documents currently in deposit in the vital materials repository, and an evaluation of the adequacy of assigned emergency work areas, equipment and facilities at the site, in the light of the present wartime situation.

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5. Participation by the offices and staffs of the Deputy Director (Support) will consist of a reanalysis of the adequacy of their own individual emergency plans in the light of the current situation, an analysis of the adequacy and timeliness of their vital materials at the site in the light of their respective

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technical fields, a program of indoctrination and familiarization of persons on the Emergency Force water, and the rendering of support to the exercises itself and to the other major exercises participating.

6. Advice received from appropriate officials of the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization reveals that it will not be necessary for you or General Clegg to be present personally at the site at any time during the course of the exercise. I shall be in attendance at the site throughout the exercise, and have been designated by the Deputy Director (Support) to act as the senior officer present for the purpose of the exercise.

7. [redacted] in addition to being present at the site throughout the exercise, has been designated to represent this Agency at the seminar scheduled at [redacted] on 25X1  
at August 1971.

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(signed) H. Gates Lloyd

H. Gates Lloyd  
Assistant Deputy Director  
(Support)

2. Disclosures

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR *CR*

The attached memorandum will bring you up to date on our plans for the relocation phase of Operation Alert 1959, which starts a week from today. You will note (para. 6) that it will not be necessary for you or Mr. Dulles to be personally present at any time during the exercise. I will be at the site for such of the time as seems desirable

[Redacted]  
H. Gates Lloyd  
Acting Deputy Director  
(Support)

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